

Frequency Space Environment Map Rendering

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Demo

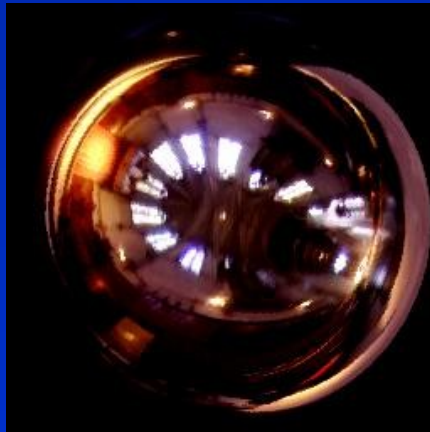
Motivation: Interactive rendering with complex natural illumination and realistic, measured BRDFs



Reflection Equation

$$L\left(R(\vec{N})\vec{I}\right)$$

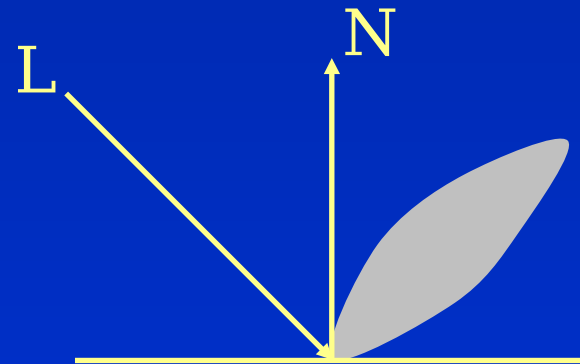
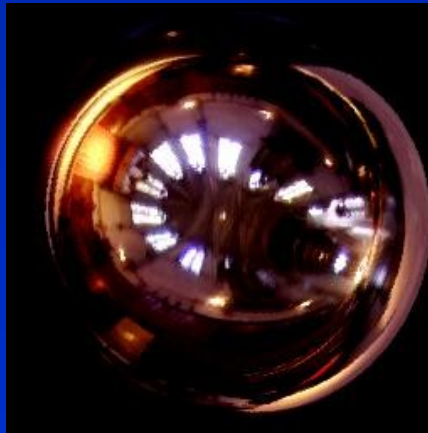
2D Environment Map



Reflection Equation

$$L\left(R(N) \overset{r}{l}\right) r\left(\overset{r}{l}, \overset{r}{V}\right)$$

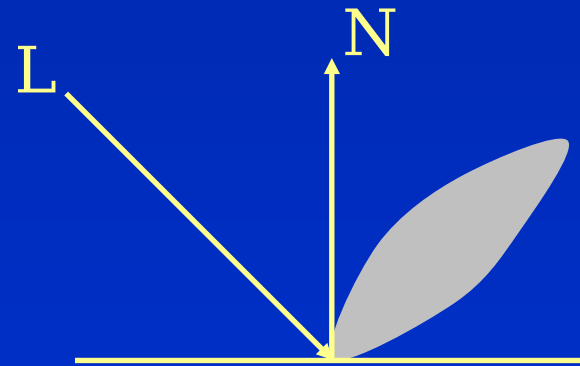
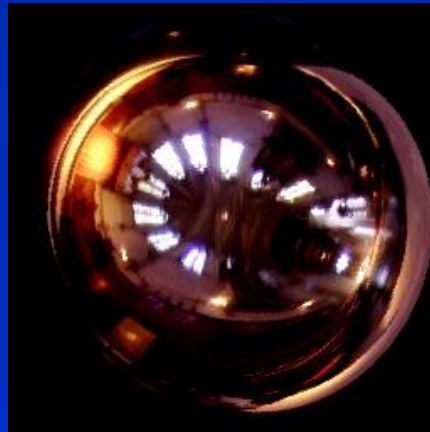
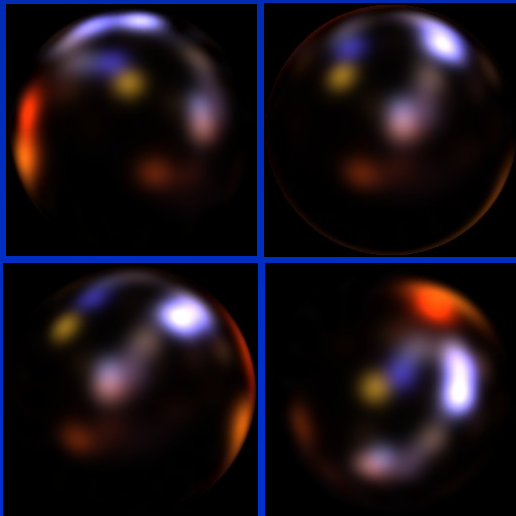
2D Environment Map BRDF



Reflection Equation

$$B(\vec{N}, \vec{V}) = \oint_W L(R(\vec{N}) \vec{l}) r(\vec{l}, \vec{V}) d\vec{l}$$

4D Orientation 2D Environment Map BRDF
Light Field



Previous Work: Blinn & Newell 76, Miller & Hoffman 86, Kautz & McCool 99, Cabral et al. 99

Goals

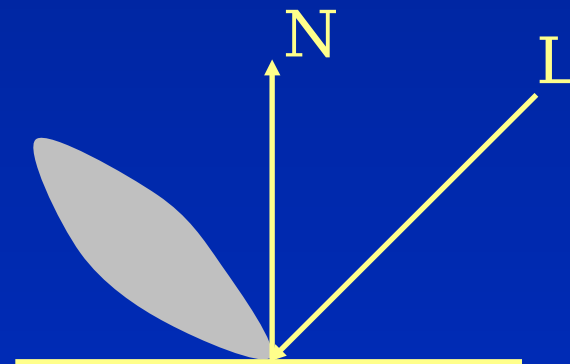
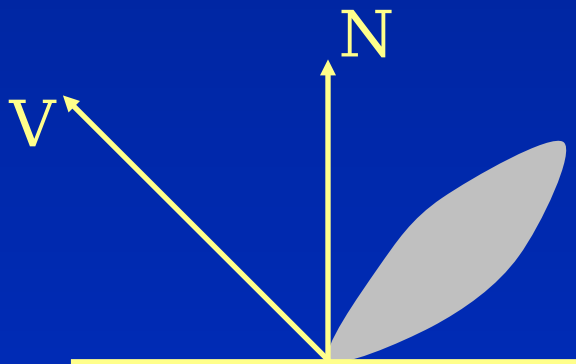
- Efficiently precompute and represent OLF
- Real-time rendering with OLF

Questions

- Parameterization and structure of OLF
- Structure leads to representation
- Computation and rendering of OLF

OLF Parameterization

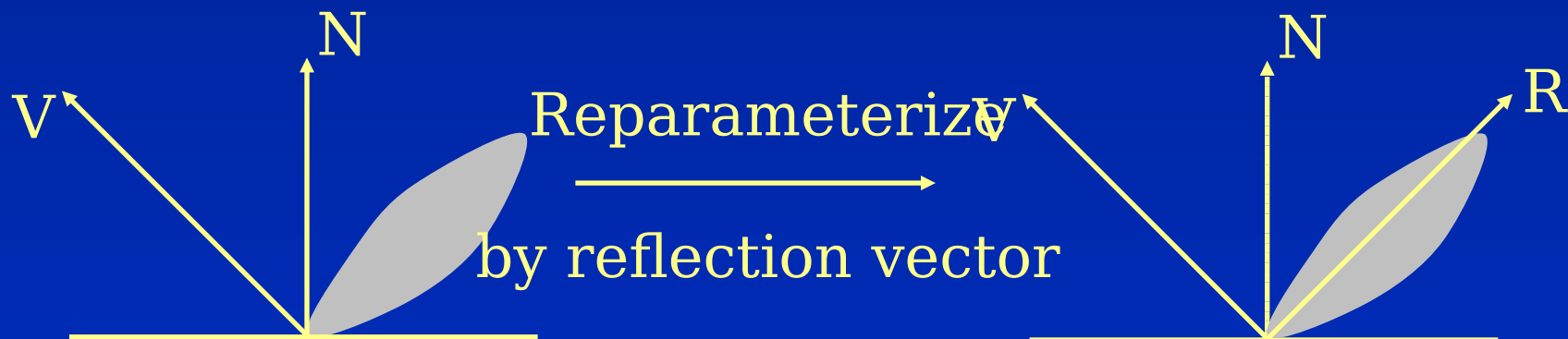
$$B^r(N, V)$$



OLF Parameterization

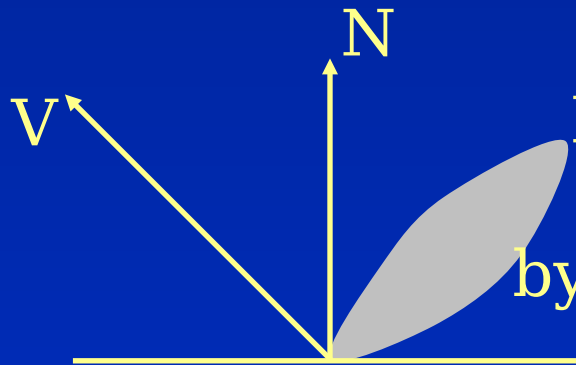
$$B(\overset{r}{N}, \overset{r}{V})$$

$$B(\overset{r}{R}, \overset{r}{V})$$

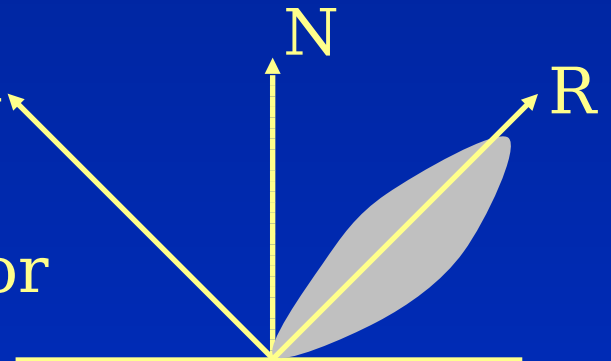


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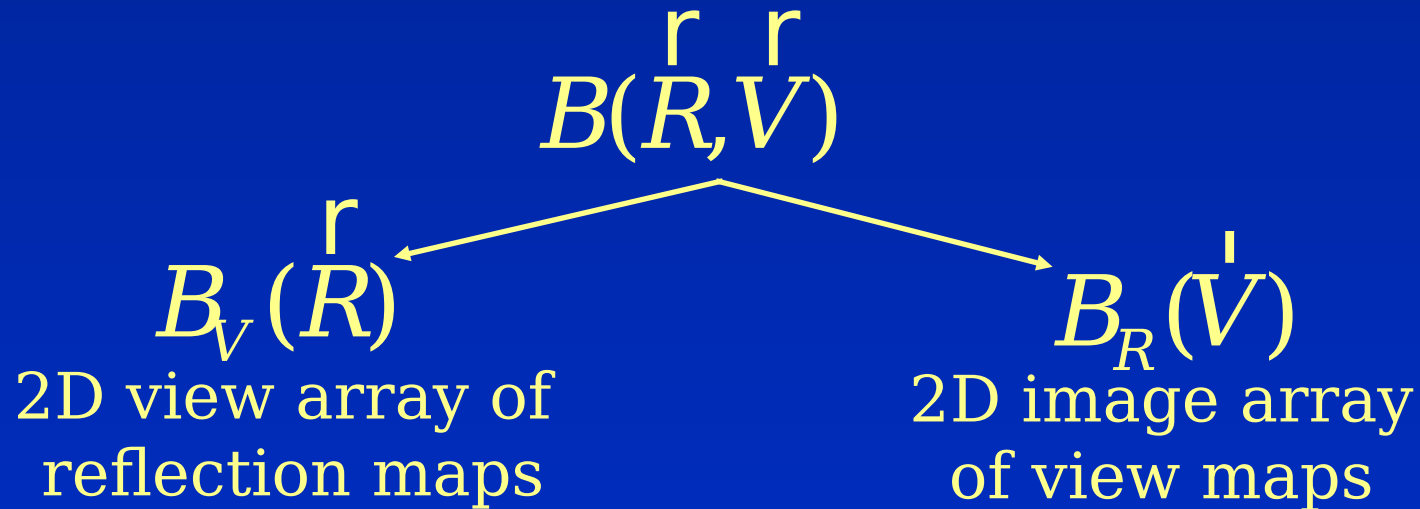
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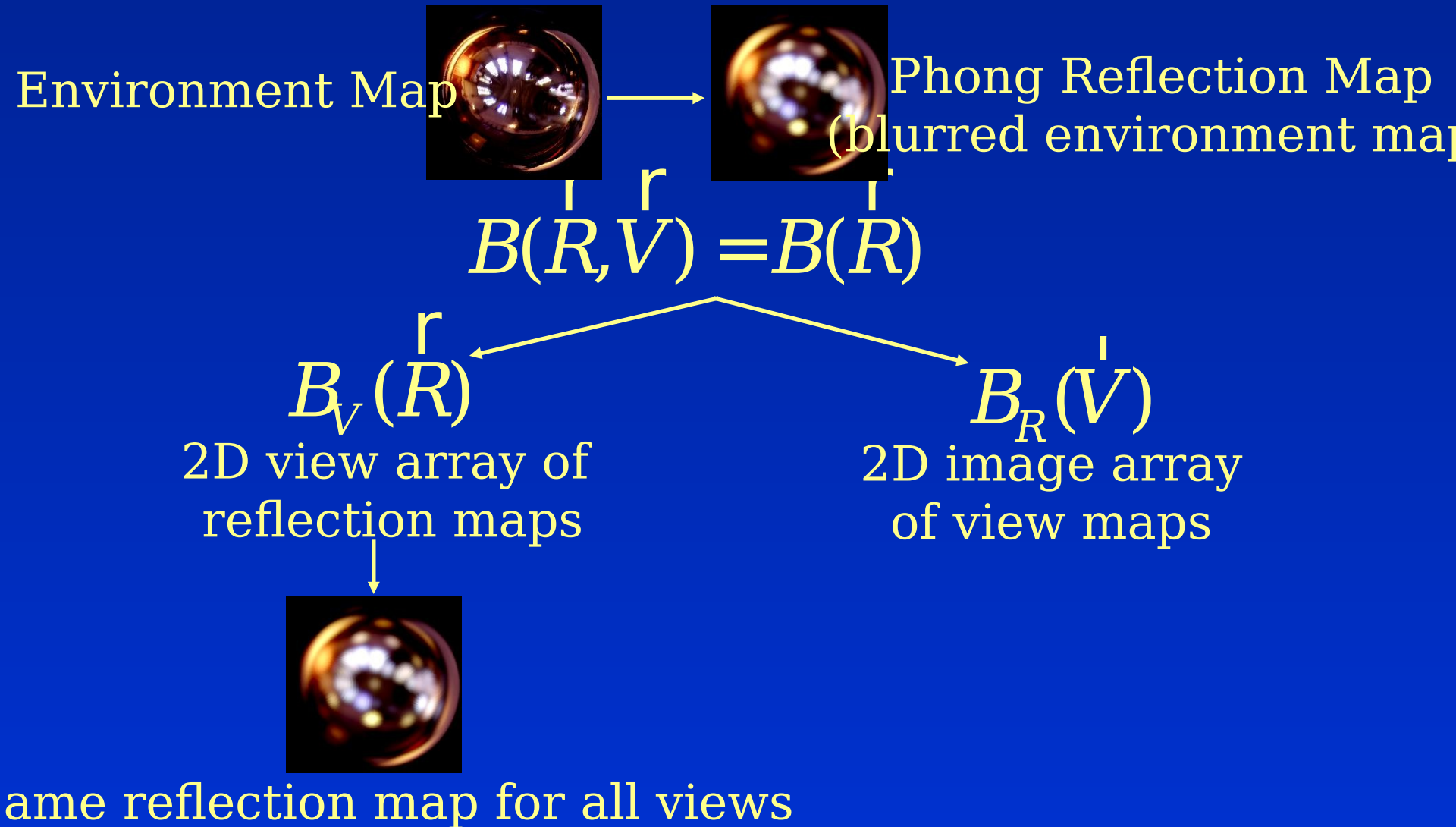
Reparameterize
by reflection vector

- Captures structure of BRDF (and hence OLF) better
- Reflective BRDFs become low-dimensional

OLF Structure



OLF Structure: Phong

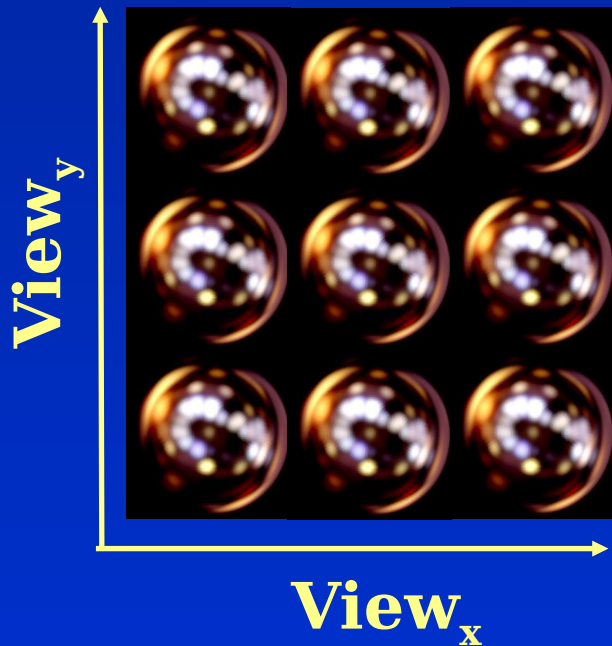


OLF Structure: Phong

$$B(\overset{r}{R}, \overset{r}{V}) = B(\overset{r}{R})$$

$$B_V(\overset{r}{R})$$

$$B_R(\overset{l}{V})$$



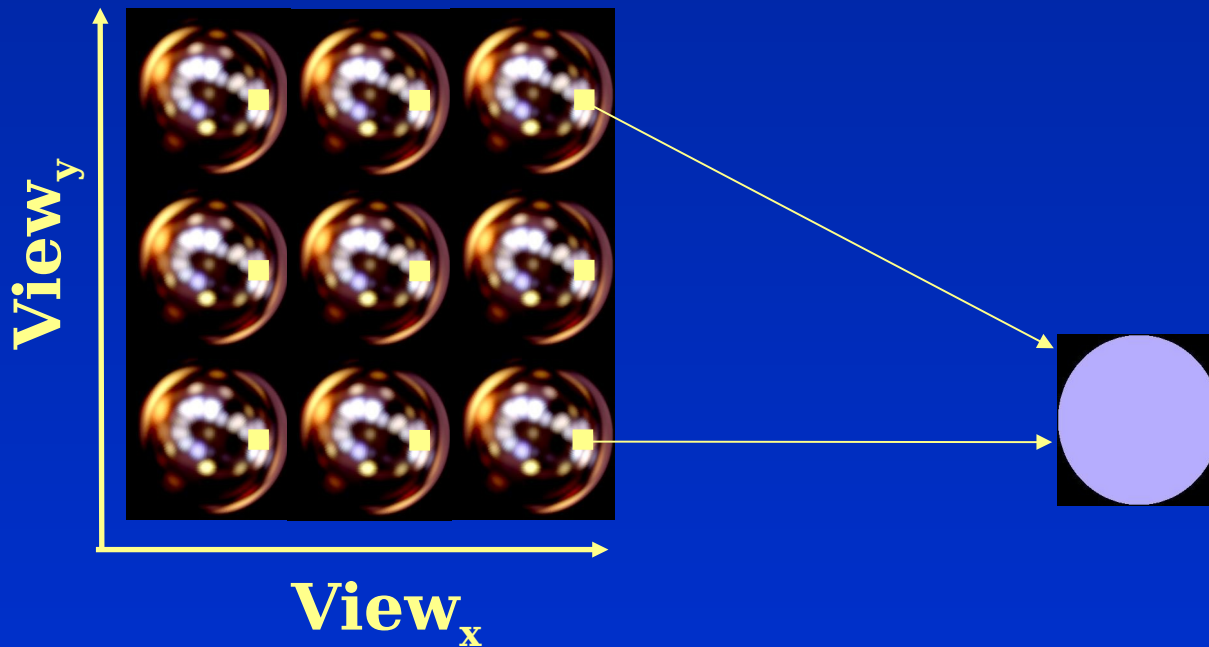
same reflection map for all views

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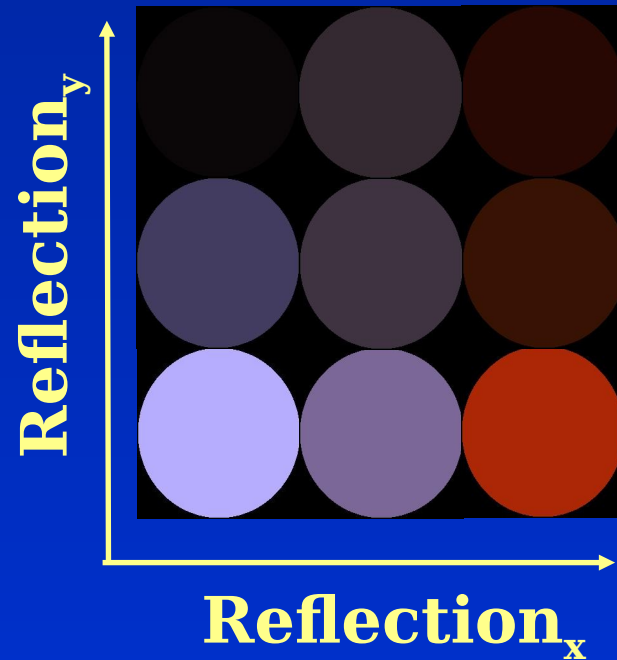
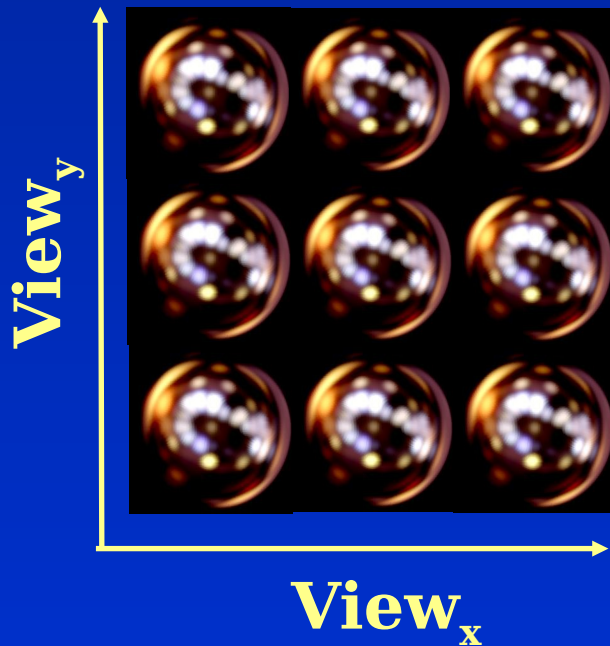
same reflection map for all views
 view maps constant for each R

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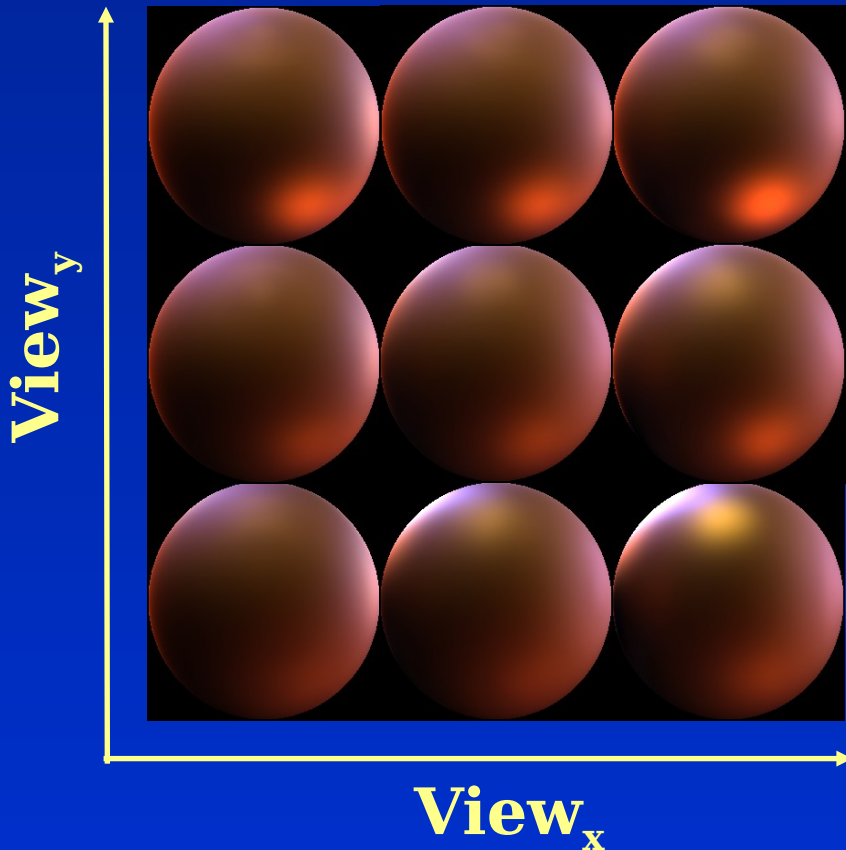
$$B_R(\overset{i}{V})$$



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OLF Structure: Lafortune

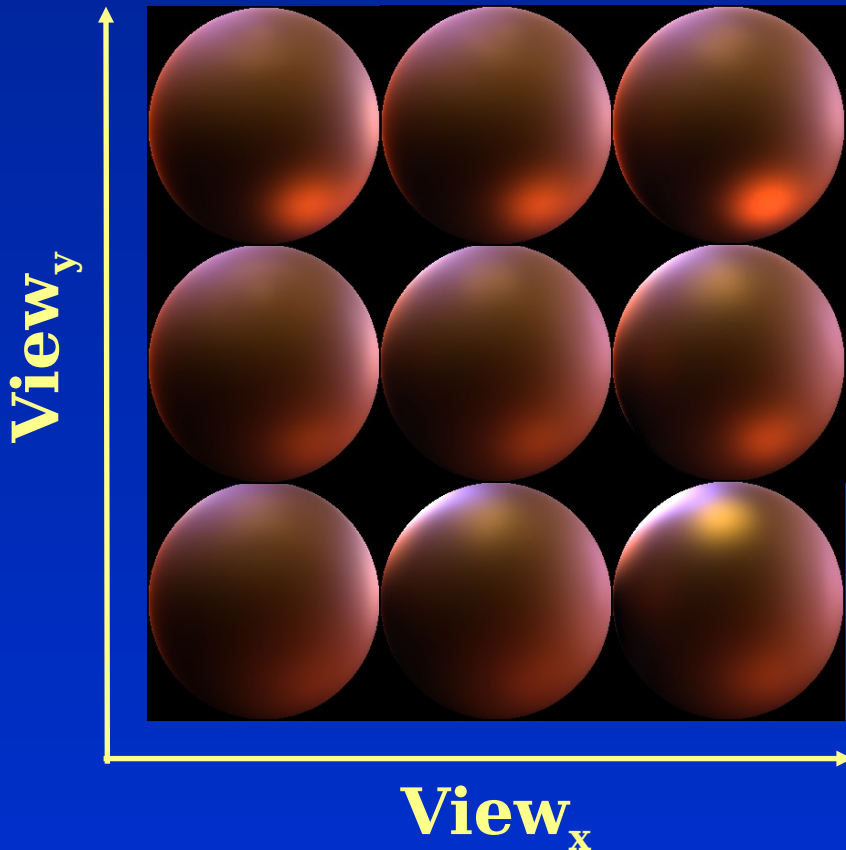
$$B_V(\vec{r})$$



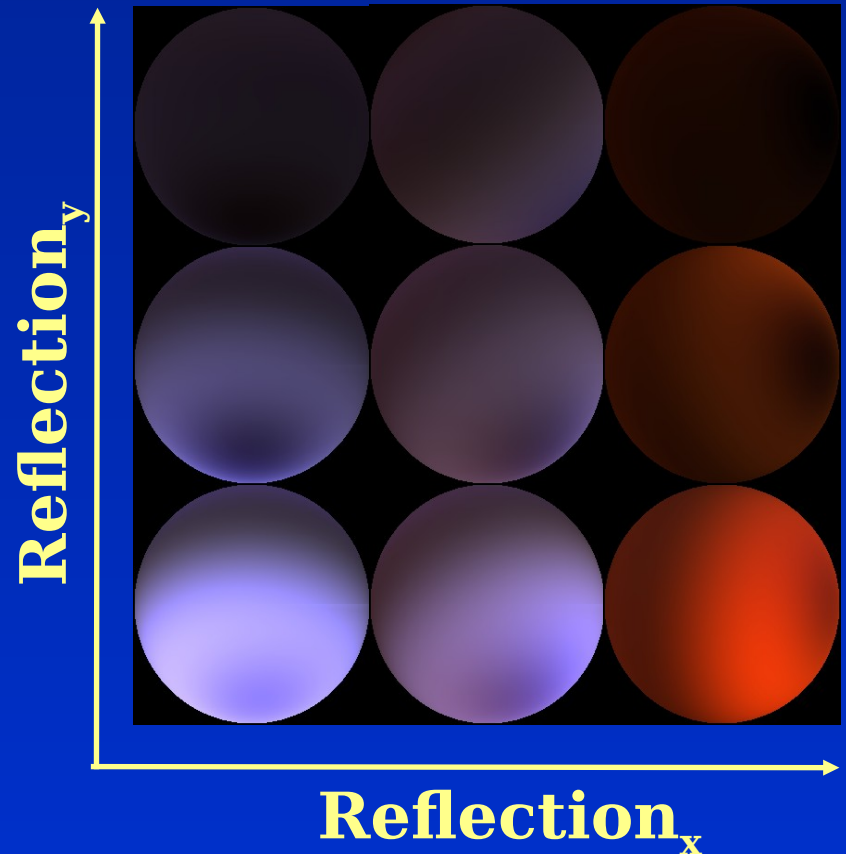
- Single 2D reflection map no longer sufficient.
- But variation with viewing direction is slow

OLF Structure: Lafortune

$$B_V(\vec{R})$$

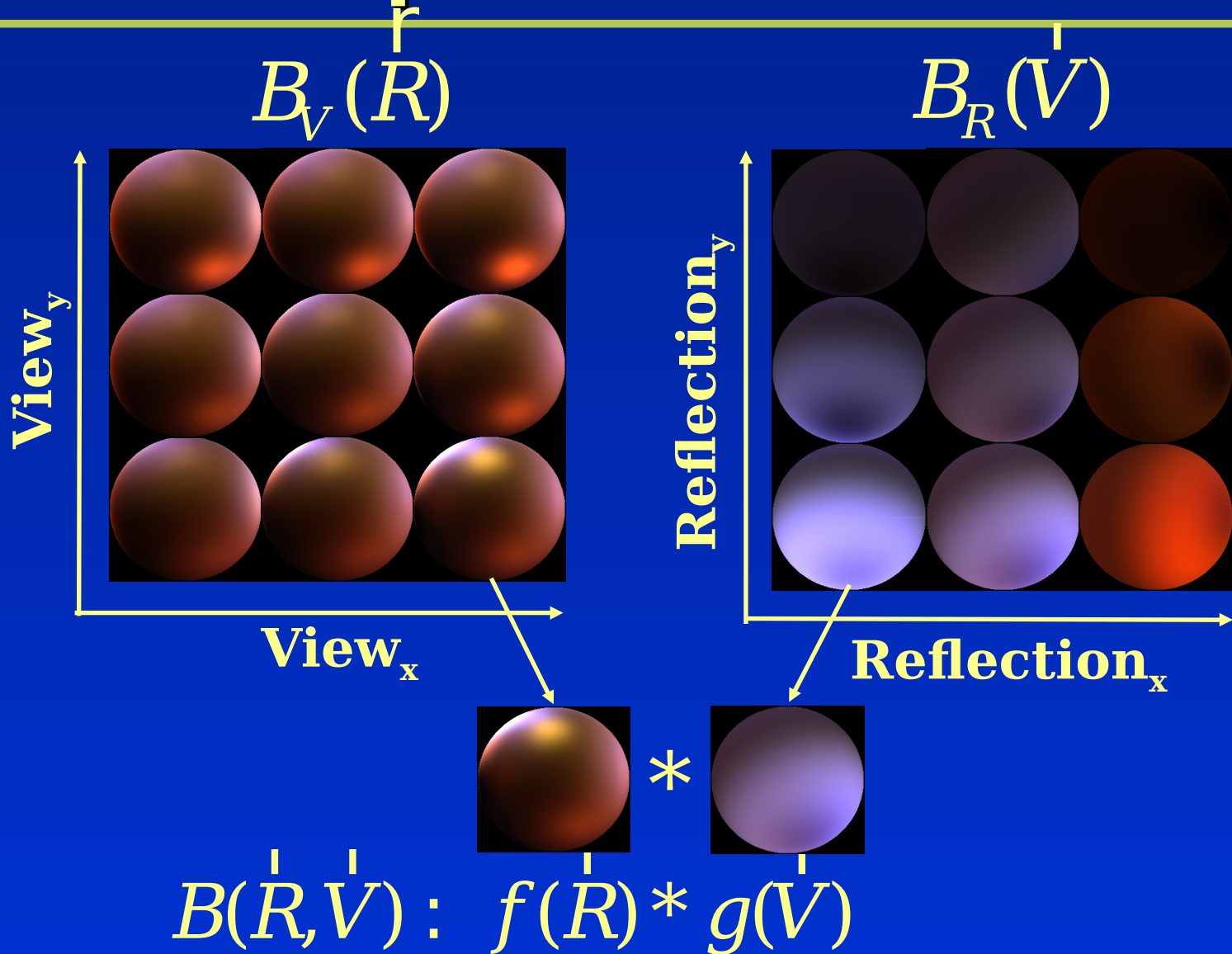


$$B_R(\vec{V})$$



View maps vary slowly

A Simple Factorization



Questions

- Parameterization and structure of OLF
- Structure leads to representation
 - Frequency space analysis
- Computation and rendering of OLF

$$B(\dot{N}, \dot{V}) = \oint_W \mathcal{L} \left(R(\dot{N}) \dot{l} \right) r \left(\dot{l}, \dot{V} \right) dl$$

Spherical harmonic analysis

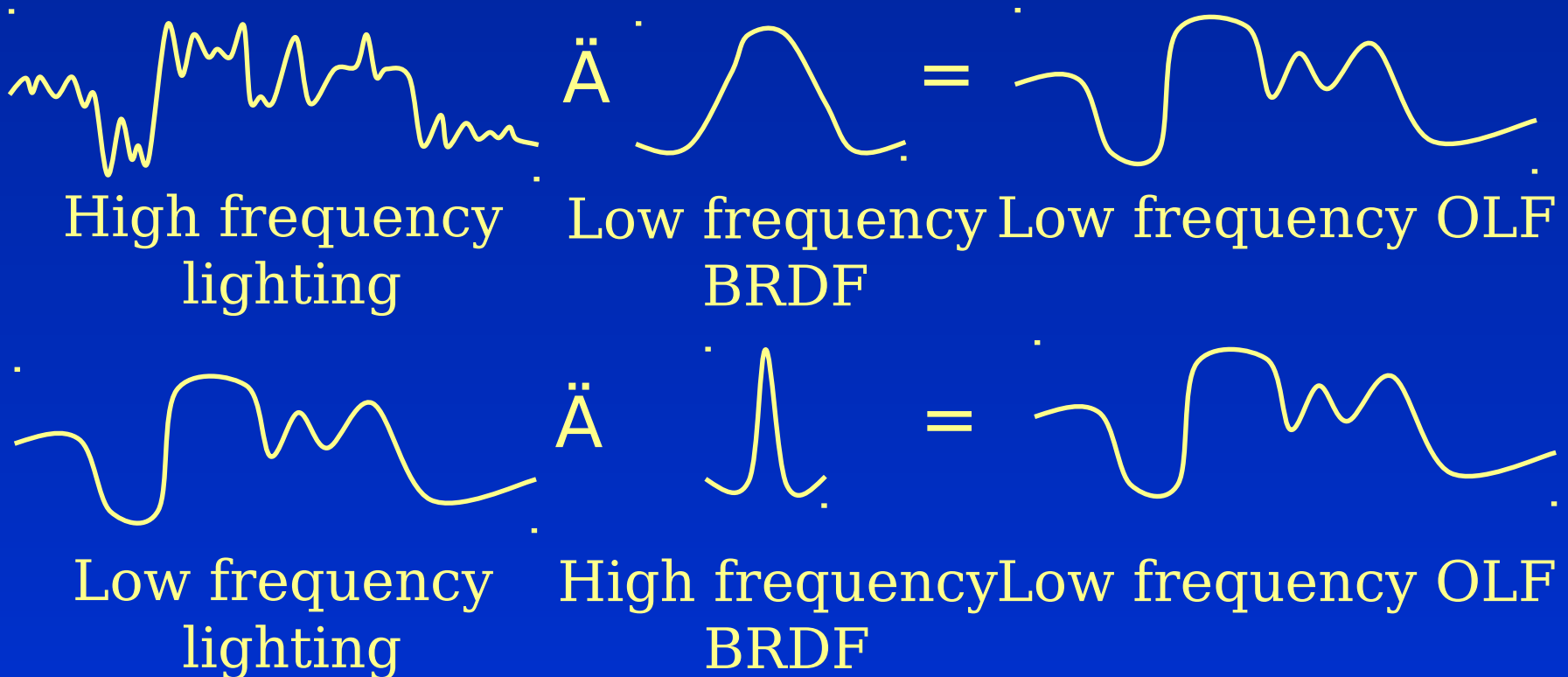
Spatial: integral

Frequency: product

$B_{ij} = L_i r_{ij}$

Implications

- Information content of OLF determined by information in lighting and BRDF

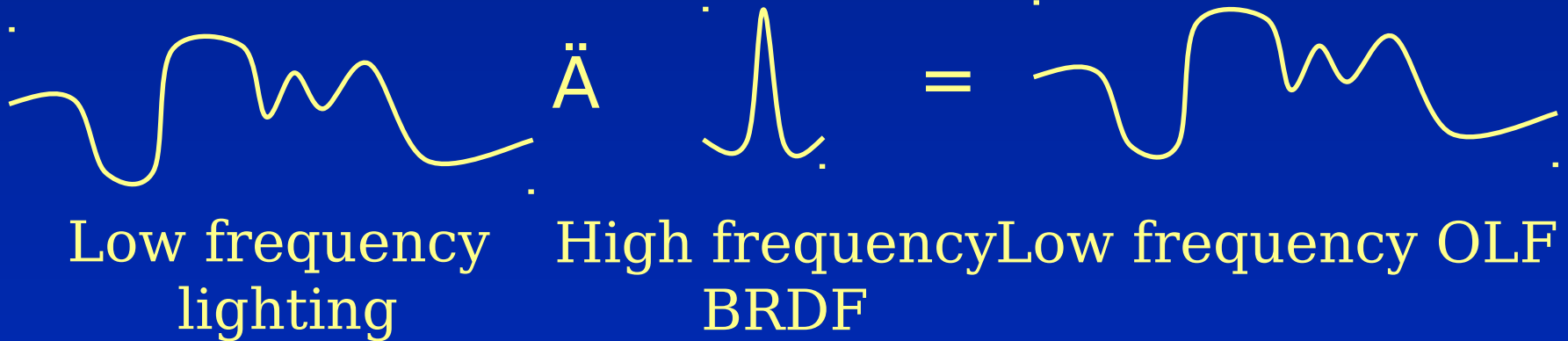


Implications

Sampling rates/resolutions

- Minimum of highest light, BRDF frequencies
- Angular resolution proportional to max frequency

Example: Low frequency L

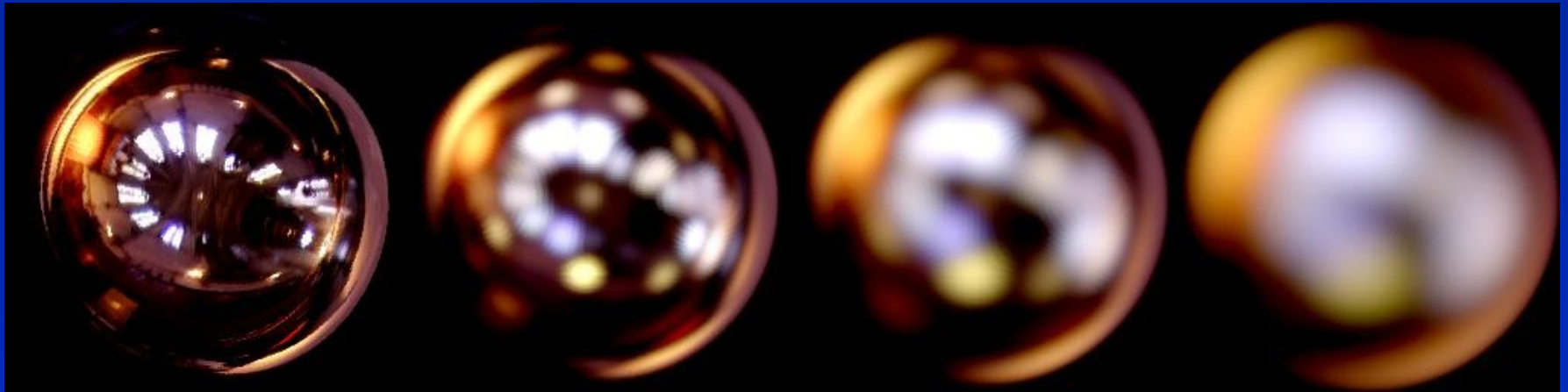


Example: Low frequency lighting [Sloan et al. 02]

- OLF is low frequency
- Represent with low-order spherical harmonics only
- Compute OLF using coefficient multiply
[Cabral et al. 87, Kautz et al. 02]

Natural Lighting

Natural (high frequency) lighting



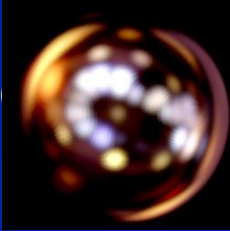

4000 terms

400 terms

100 terms

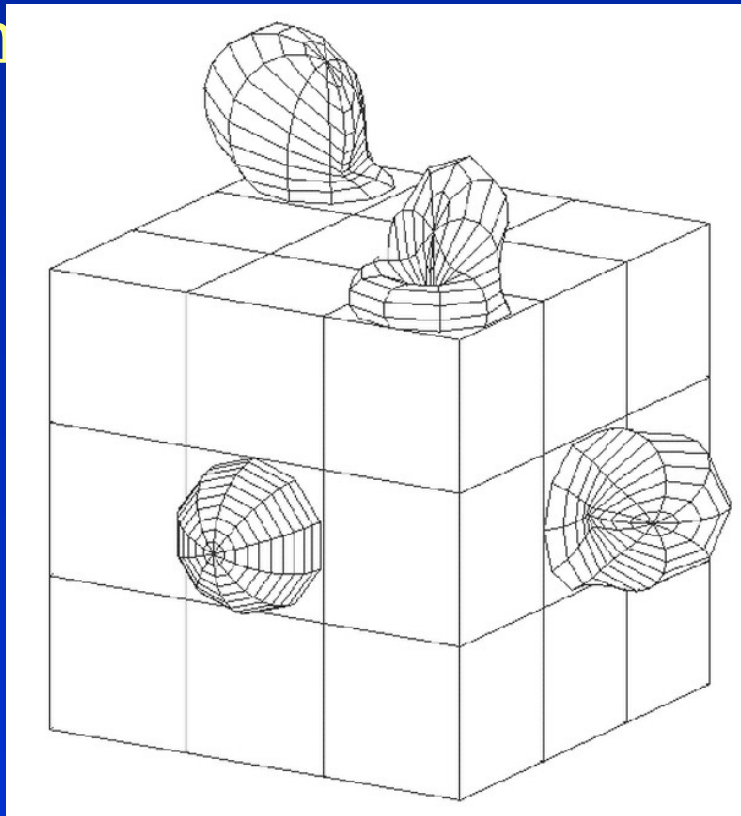
36 terms

Hybrid Representation

- Reflection maps $\mathcal{B}_R^r(\vec{R})$ are high frequency 
- View maps $\mathcal{B}_R^v(\vec{V})$ are low frequency 
- Use hybrid angular frequency-space representation
 - View maps: Use low-order spherical harmonic expansion
 - Represent coefficient reflection maps explicitly

Spherical Harmonic Reflection Map

- View-dependent reflection (cube)map
- Encode view maps $B_s^i(V)$ with low-order spherical h

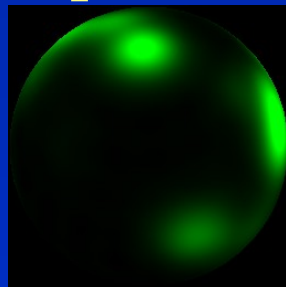


Spherical Harmonic Reflection Map

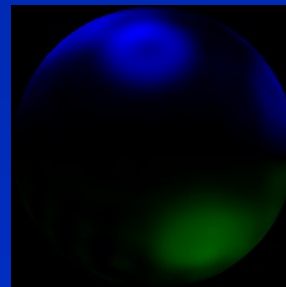
$$B(\overset{r}{R}, \overset{r}{V}) = \sum_{i=0}^N \overset{r}{a}_i B_i(\overset{r}{R}) Y_i(\overset{r}{V})$$

Spherical Harmonics

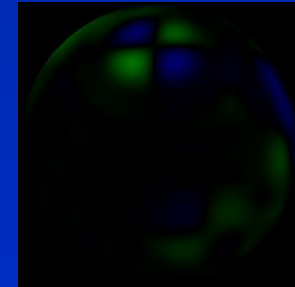
Precomputed coefficient reflection maps



B_0



B_1

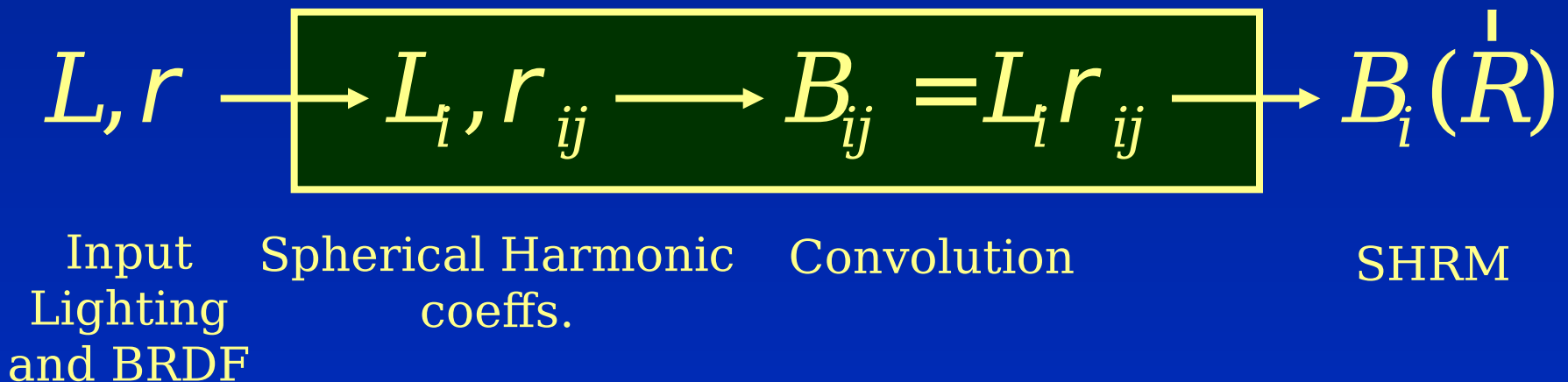


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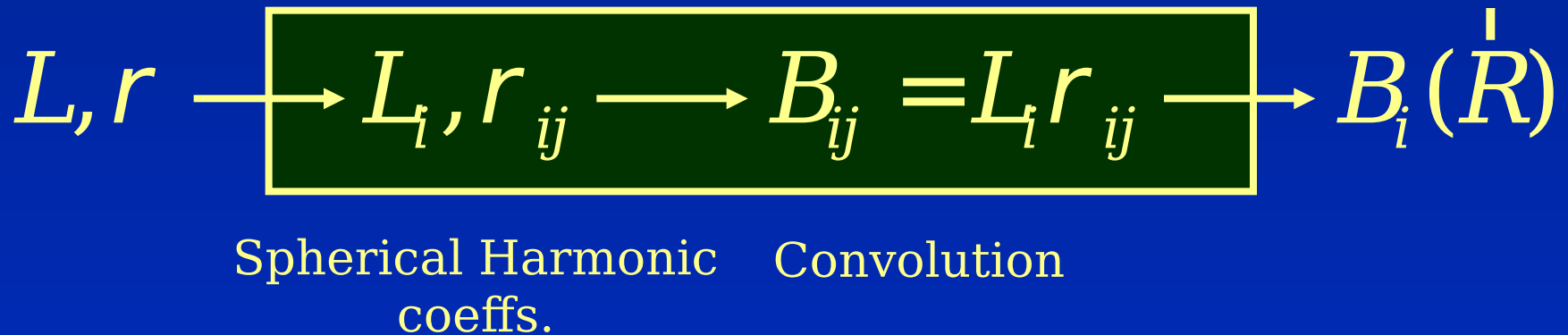
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Prefiltering



- Directly compute SHRM from Lighting, BRDF
- Convolution easier to compute in frequency domain

Prefiltering



- 3 to 4 orders of magnitude faster (< 1 s compared to minutes or hours)
- Detailed analysis, algorithms, experiments in paper

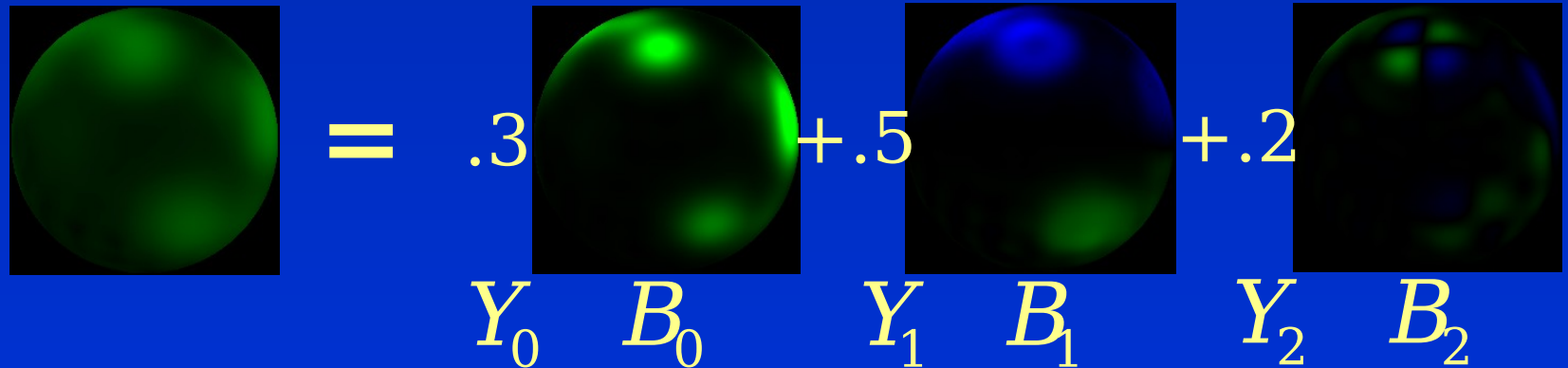
SHRM Rendering

We create dynamic reflection map per frame

- Weighted sum of prefiltered coefficient reflection maps

$$B_V(R) = \sum_{i=0}^N Y_i(V) B_i(R)$$

Spherical Harmonics (fixed weighting factor) Prefiltered coefficient reflection maps



$$B_V(R) = 0.3 Y_0 B_0 + 0.5 Y_1 B_1 + 0.2 Y_2 B_2$$

Number of SHRM terms

Microfacet model, roughness = .2

Difference Difference
View 1 Image View 2 Image

1 term
88%



4 terms
95%



9 terms
98%



Exact
100%



Number of terms: CURET

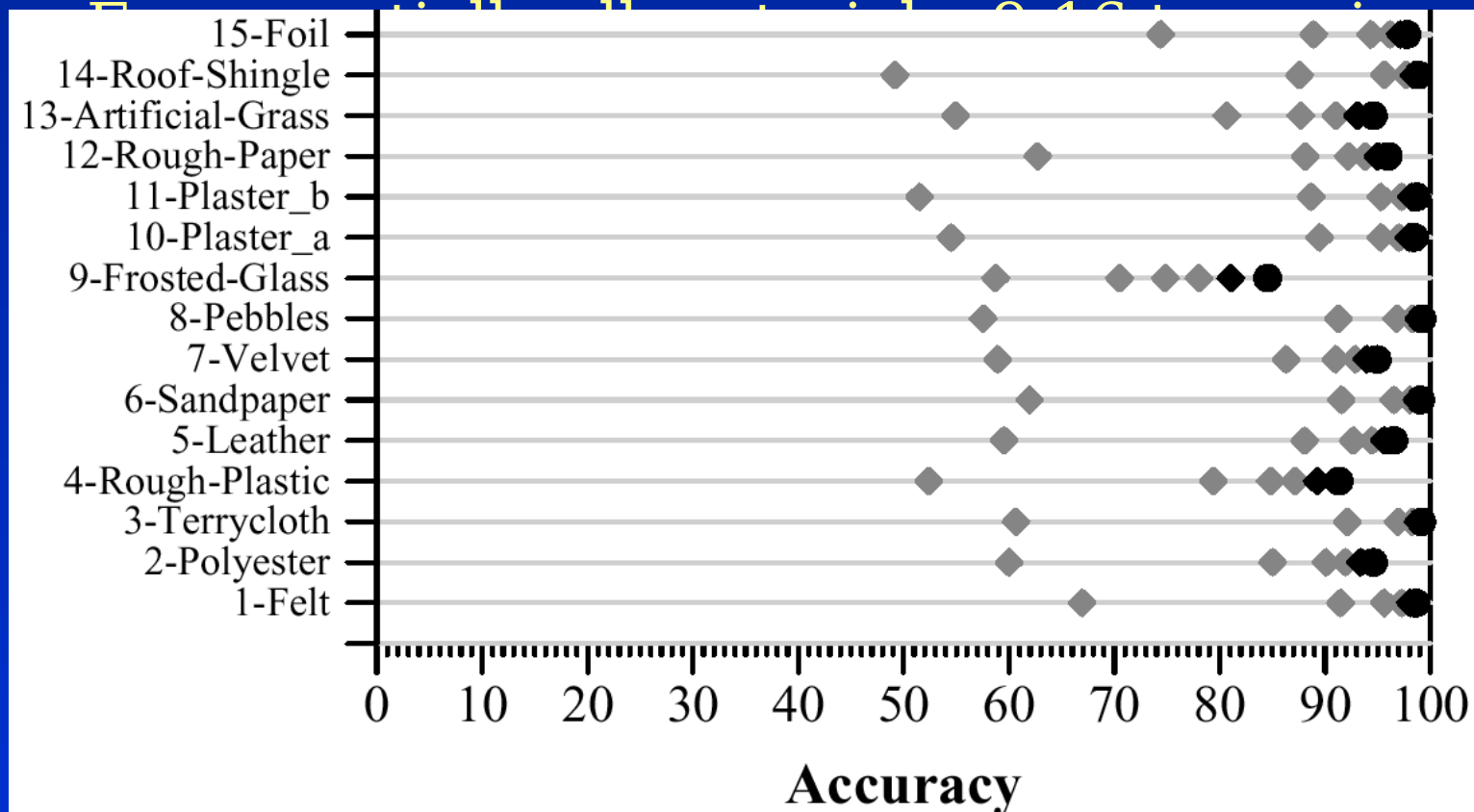
CURET database [Dana et

- 61 BRDFs of real material
205 measurements for ea
- Interpolated using order 8
Zernike polynomials
[Koenderink, van Doorn 9



Number of terms: CURET

Analysis for all 61 samples [full bar chart in paper]



Implementation

- Stanford Real-Time Programmable Shading System
- SHRMs used in any shader just like reflection map
- New reflection map computed for each frame
- Real-time ($>15\text{Hz}$) performance on 1.4 GHz Pentium IV with nVidia Geforce 2
- <http://graphics.stanford.edu/papers/freqenv/>

Demo



Summary of Contributions

- Theoretical, empirical analysis of sampling rates and resolutions
 - Frequency space analysis directly on lighting, BRDF
 - Low order expansion suffices for essentially all BRDFs
- Spherical Harmonic Reflection Maps
 - Hybrid angular-frequency space
 - Compact, efficient, accurate
 - Easy to analyze errors, determine number of terms
- Fast computation using convolution

Implications and Future Work

- Frequency space methods for rendering
 - Global illumination
 - Fast computation of surface light fields
- Compression for optimal factored representations
 - PCA on SHRMs
- Theoretical analysis of sampling rates, resolutions
 - General framework for sampling in image-based rendering

Acknowledgements

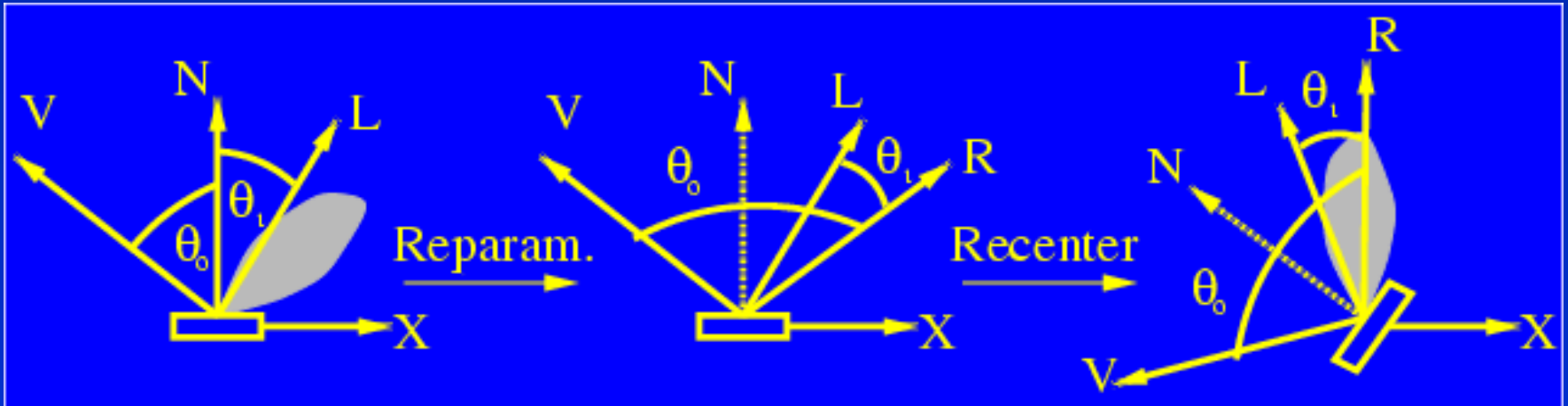
- Stanford Real-Time Programmable Shading System
 - Eric Chan, Bill Mark, Kekoa Proudfoot
- Readers of early drafts
 - Li-Yi Wei, Olaf Hall-Holt, anonymous reviewers
- Models
 - Armadillo: Venkat Krishnamurthy
 - Light probes: Paul Debevec
- Funding
 - Hodgson-Reed Stanford Graduate Fellowship
 - NSF ITR #0085864 “Interacting with the Visual World”

The End

BRDF Parameterization

BRDF

- Direct $\rho(\omega_i^r, \omega_o^r) : f(\omega_i^r)g(\omega_o^r)$
- Half Angle $\rho(\omega_h^r, \omega_i^r, \omega_o^r) : f(\omega_i^r)g(\omega_h^r)f(\omega_o^r)$
[Rusinkiewicz 98, McCool et al. 01]
- Reflection Vector $\rho(\omega_i^R, \omega_o^R) : f(\omega_i^R)g(\omega_o^R)$



Parameterization

- Lighting: 2D function on a sphere $\rho(\omega_i^R, \omega_o^R)$

- BRDF

- Direct
- Half Angle
- **Reflection Vector**

$$\rho(\omega_i^R, \omega_o^R)$$

- OLF

- Direct
- No Half Angle
- **Reflection Vector**

$$B(\vec{R}, \vec{V})$$

OLF Parameterization

- Direct $B(\overset{r}{N}, \overset{r}{\omega}_o) : f(\overset{r}{N})g(\overset{r}{\omega}_o)$

- Reflection Vector (reflection, normal, view)

- Captures structure of BRDF and OLF

- Reflective BRDFs, OLFs become low-dimensional $B(\overset{r}{R}, \overset{r}{N}, \overset{r}{V}) : f(\overset{r}{R})g(\overset{r}{N})h(\overset{r}{V})$

$$B(\overset{r}{R}, \overset{r}{N}) : f(\overset{r}{R})g(\overset{r}{N})$$

$$B(\overset{r}{R}, \overset{r}{V}) : f(\overset{r}{R})h(\overset{r}{V})$$

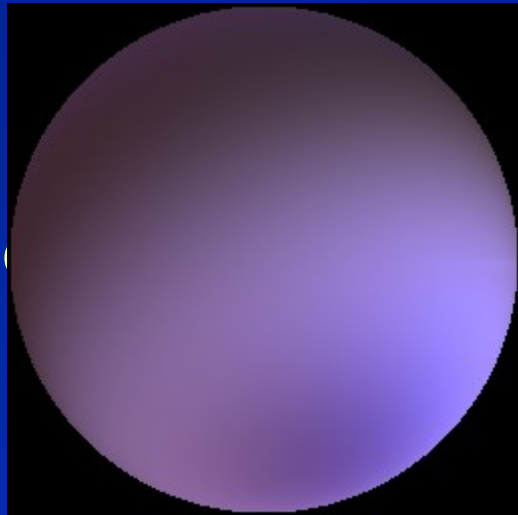
Advantages

Latta and Kolb
02
Wood et al. 00

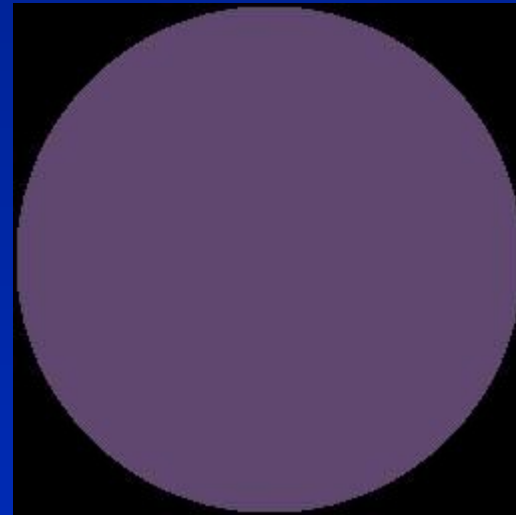
- Good param. for *both* BRDF, OLF
- Fast computation with convolution
- Single reflection map for each

SHRM approximation

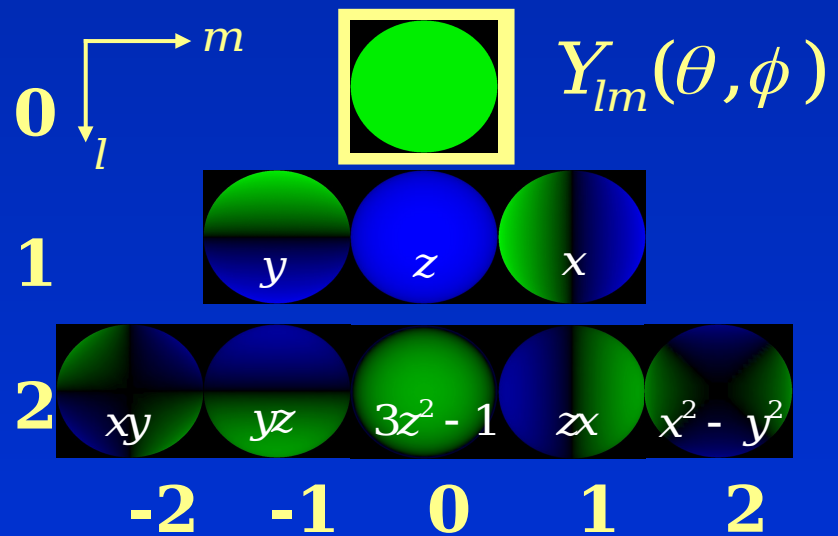
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$$B_R(\vec{V})$$

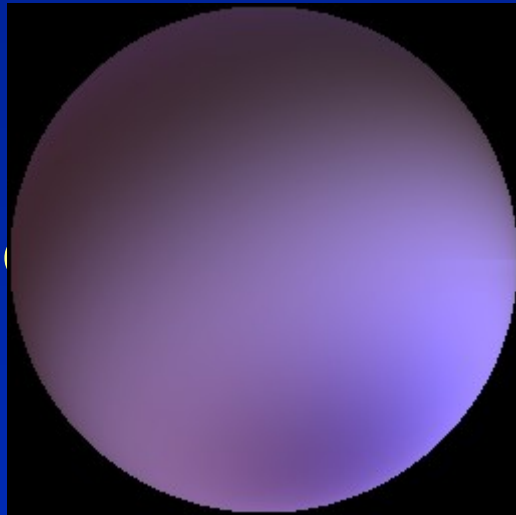


Order 0
1 term

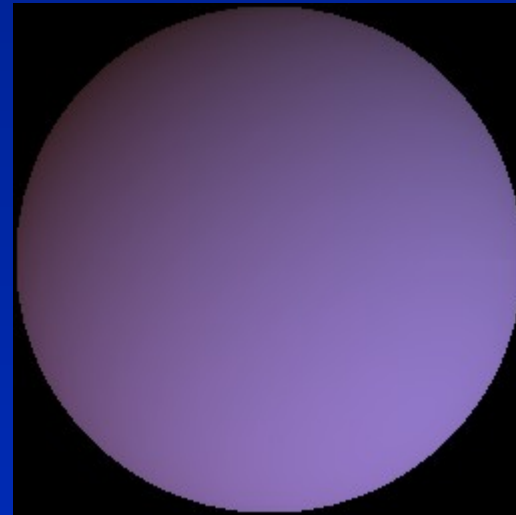


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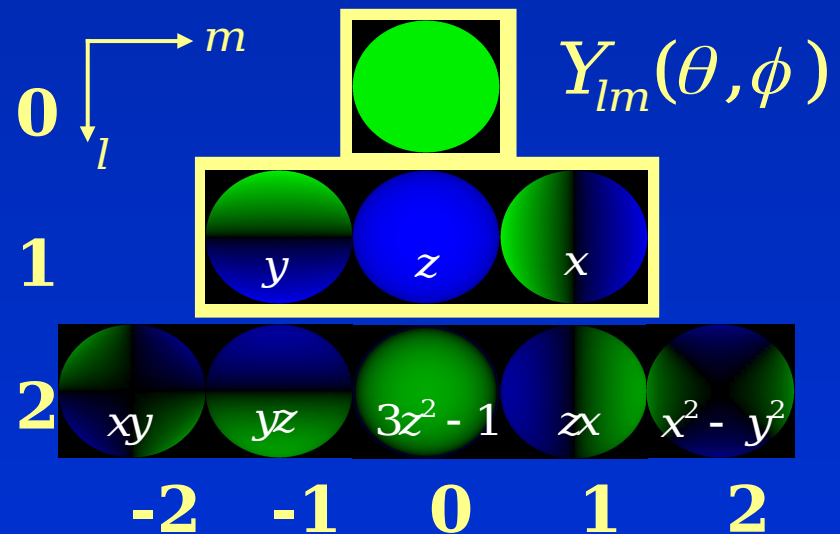
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$$B_R(\hat{V})$$

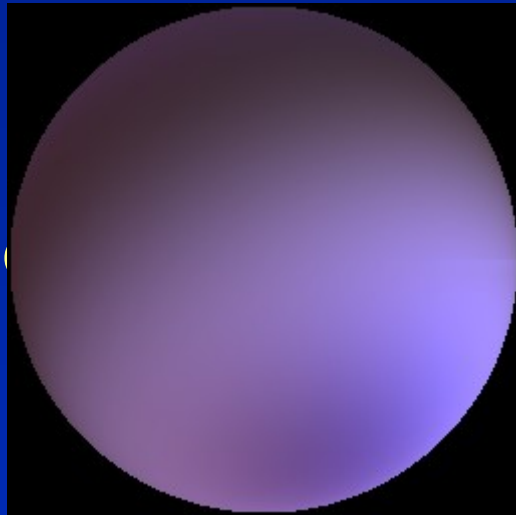


Order 1
4 terms



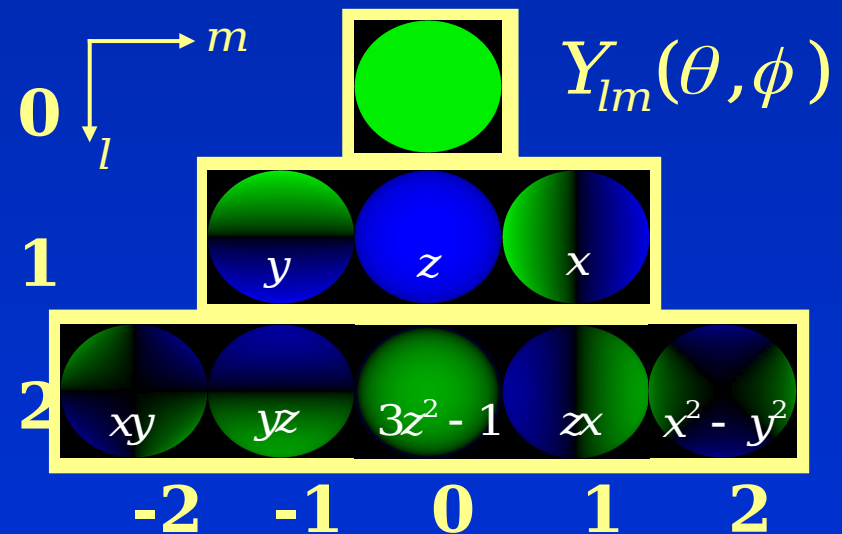
SHRM approximation

Exact Image



Order 2
9 terms

$$B_R(\hat{V})$$



Example: Phong BRDF

$$C_f = O(S^2 \sqrt{s})$$

Frequency

Cost

$$C_a = O(S^4 / s)$$

Angular

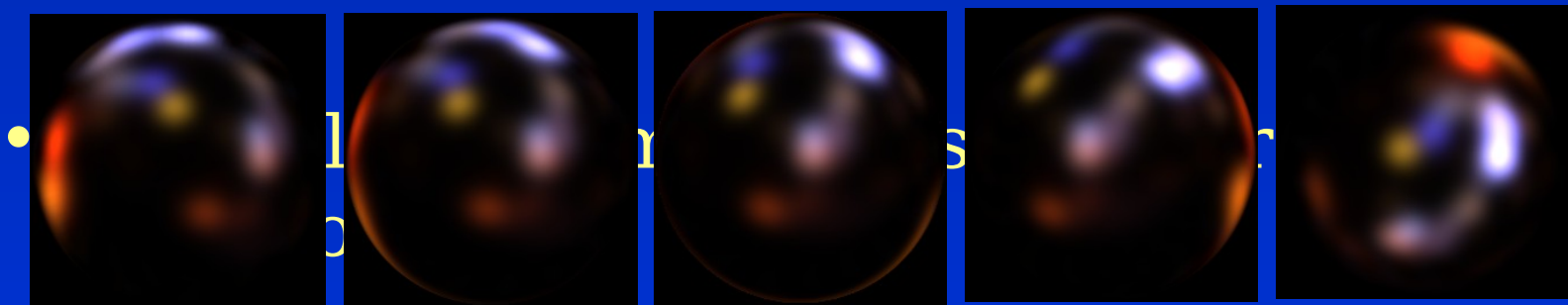
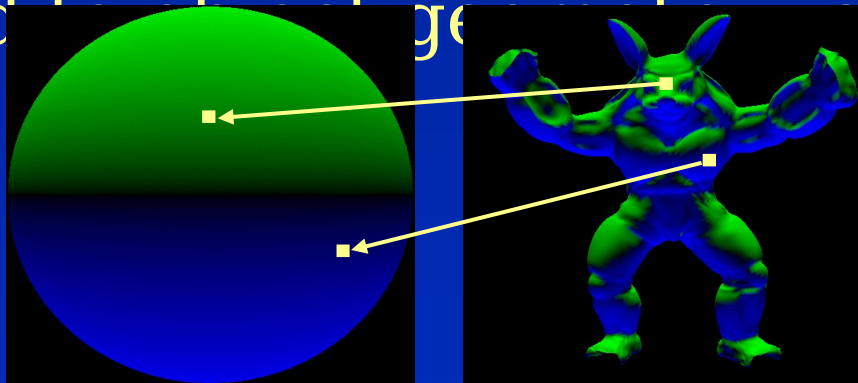
S = resolution, s = Phong exponent

Frequency space faster unless $s > 500$

Usually 3 to 4 orders of magnitude faster
(< 1 s compared to minutes or hours)

Orientation Light Field

- 4D function of surface normal, viewing direction
- Mapped to a 2D image plane by projecting surface normal



Reflection Equation

$$B(\overset{r}{N}, \overset{r}{\omega}_o) = \int_{\Omega} L(\overset{r}{R}(\overset{r}{N}) \overset{r}{\omega}_i) \rho(\overset{r}{\omega}_i, \overset{r}{\omega}_o) d\omega_i$$

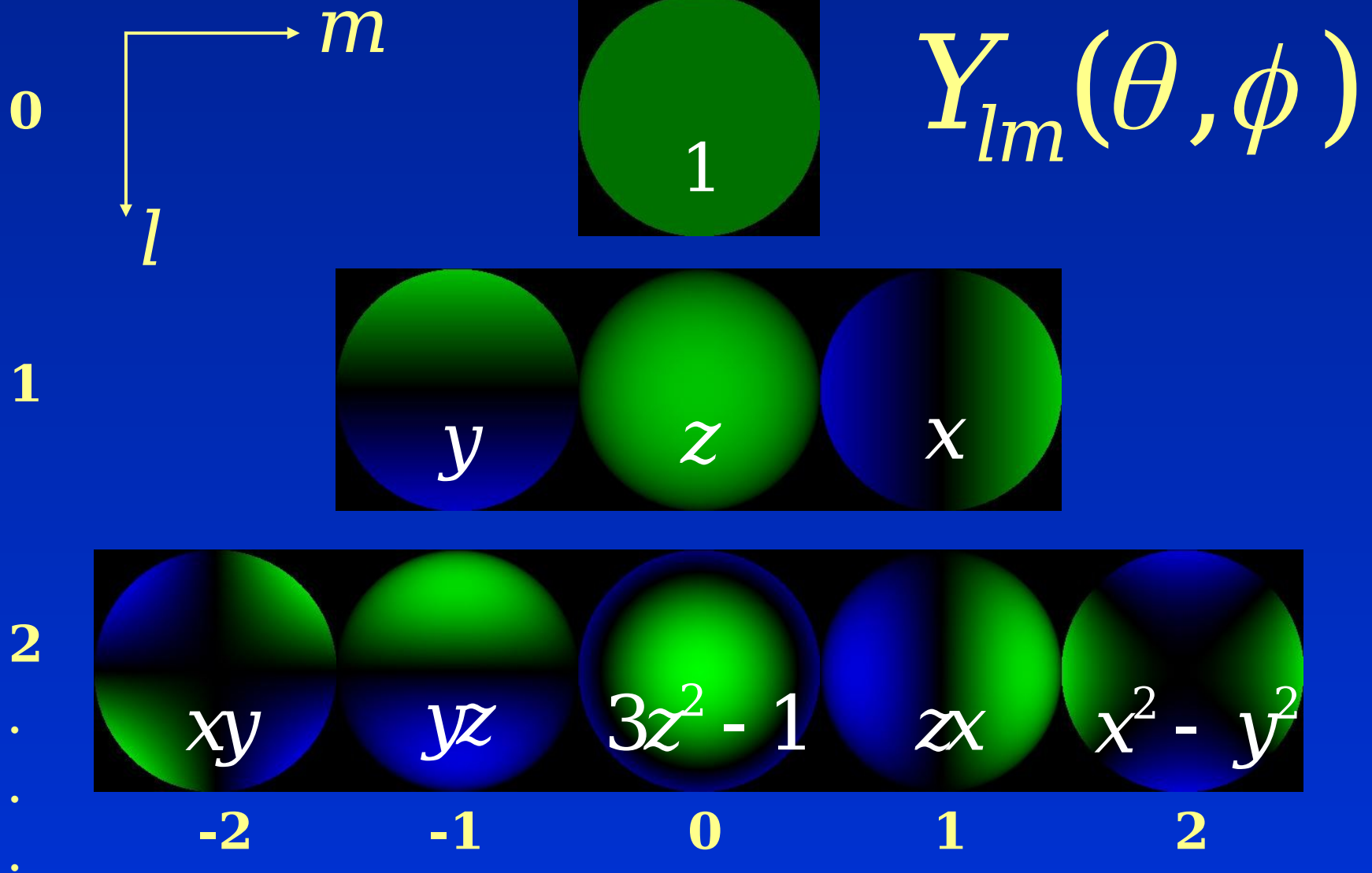
Reflected Radiance Distant Lighting Isotropic BRDF
(4D Orientation (2D Environment Map)
Light Field)

$$B = L \otimes \rho$$


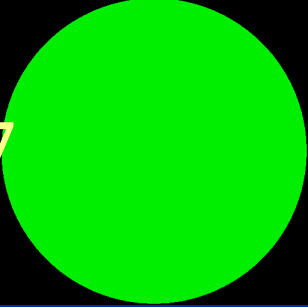
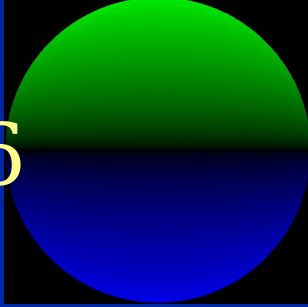
Basri and Jacobs 01

Ramamoorthi and Hanrahan

Spherical Harmonics



Spherical Harmonic expansion

 $=$ $.67$  $+$ $.36$  $+$ \dots

Expand Lighting, BRDF, OLF in spherical harmonics

$$L(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^{+l} L_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \varphi)$$

Convolution

- Lighting $L(\omega_i^r)$ coefficients L_{lm}
- BRDF $\rho(\omega_i^R, \omega_o^R)$ $r_{lq,pq}$
- OLF $B(R, V)$ $B_{lm,pq}$

$$B = L \otimes \rho$$

$$B_{lm,pq} = L_{lm} r_{lq,pq}$$

This Session

Latta and Kolb: Homomorphic single-term factorization

- Advantages of SHRMS: more accurate, easier to analyze errors/set resolutions, fast computation using convolution
- Disadvantage: Multi-term, fixed parameterization.
- Future work: compute best single-term approximation, or other factorizations directly from SHRM using PCA

This Session

Sloan et al., Kautz et al: Low frequency lighting

Advantages of SHRMS

- General lighting environments, BRDFs
- Error analysis determines number of terms
- Rapid computation

Disadvantage: As yet, no shadows, interreflection

Results

- SHRM accuracy: comparisons with previous methods (Cabral et al. 99, Kautz and McCool 00) in paper
- Speed of prefiltering: speedups of 3 to 4 orders of magnitude; times in fractions of a second
- Real-time rendering even with multiple SHRMs

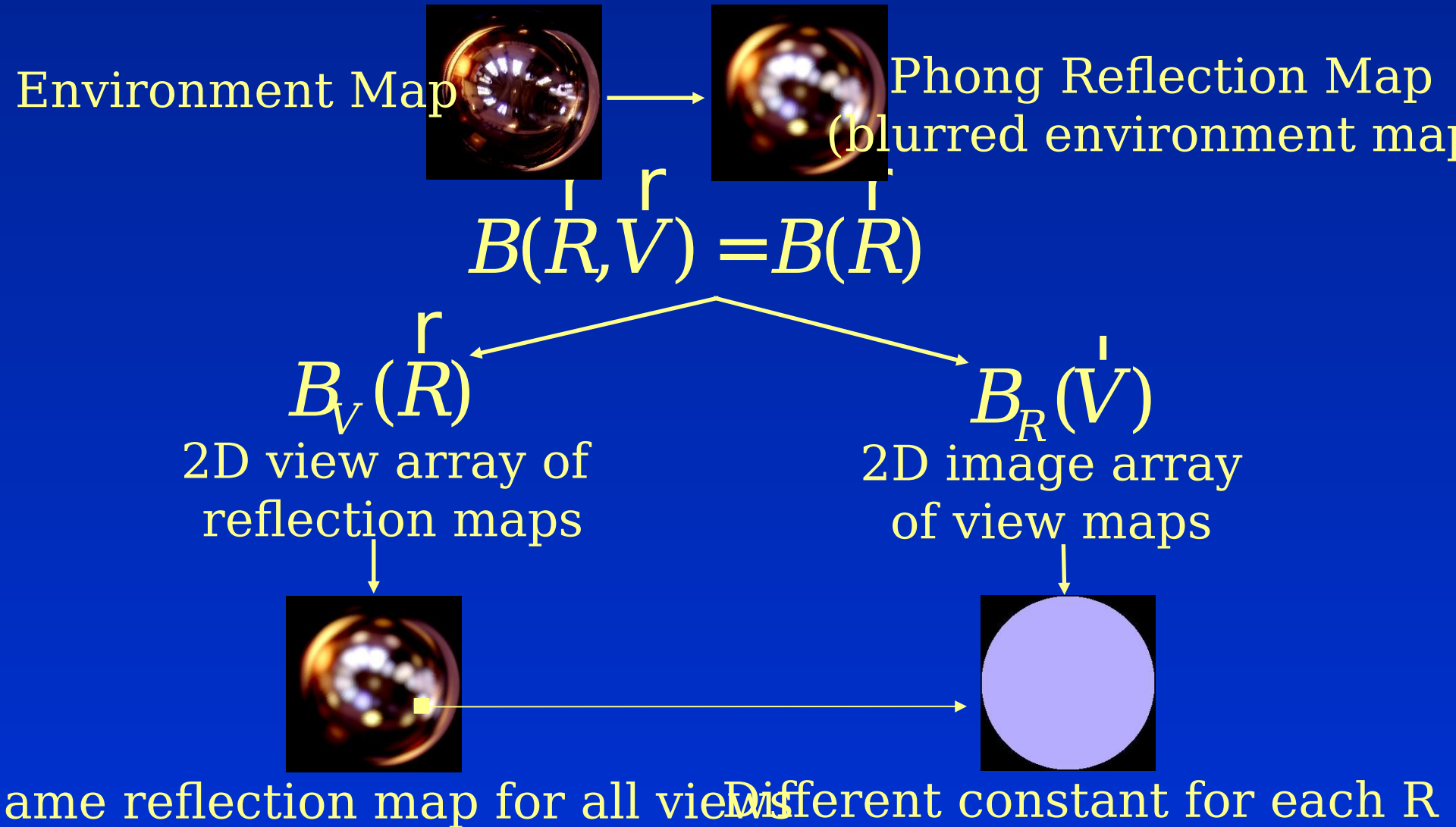
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OLF Structure: Phong

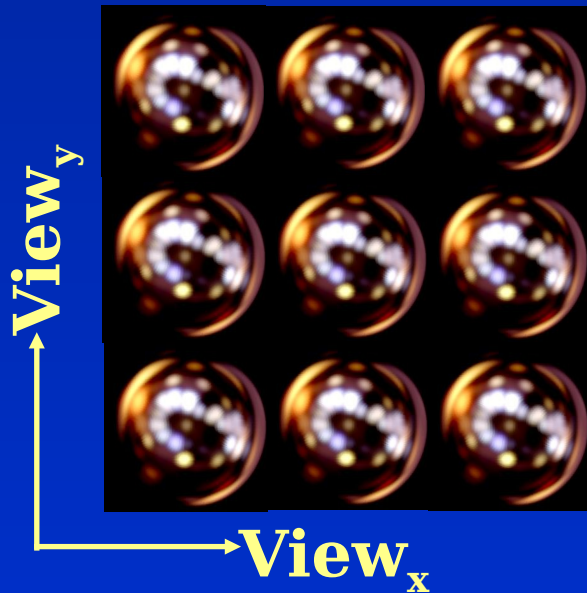


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$$B_V(\overset{r}{R})$$

$$B_R(\overset{r}{V})$$



same reflection map for all views
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Previous Work

Environment Maps

- Blinn & Newell 76, Miller & Hoffman 84, Greene 86, ...
- Kautz & McCool 99, McCool et al. 01
- Cabral et al. 99
- Latta and Kolb 02

Frequency Space Methods (spherical harmonics)

- Cabral et al. 87, Sillion et al. 91, Westin et al. 92
- Ramamoorthi & Hanrahan 01
- Basri & Jacobs 01

OLF Factorization

$$B(\overset{|}{R}, \overset{|}{N}, \overset{|}{V}) : f(\overset{|}{R})g(\overset{|}{N})h(\overset{|}{V})$$


$$B(\overset{|}{R}, \overset{|}{N}) : f(\overset{|}{R})g(\overset{|}{N})$$

Advantages

- Naturally captures diffuse, reflective

parts

Latta and Kolb

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